

CLAIM SET AS AMENDED

Claims 1-11 (cancelled).

12. (Currently Amended) A beach cleaner for recovering waste comprising:

a ~~grating-like~~ grating portion for scooping up waste as the beach cleaner is moved, said ~~grating-like~~ grating portion being inclined from a front portion towards a rear portion for positioning said front portion at a lower position relative to said rear portion,

the grating portion being bent at an intermediate position supported by a support rod extending in the transverse direction, the front portion and the rear portion sloping downwardly from opposite sides of the support rod; and

a reticulate portion formed behind said ~~grating-like~~ grating portion, said reticulate portion including a front portion and a rear portion wherein said rear portion is inclined relative to said front portion for positioning the rear portion of said reticulate portion at a location that is lower relative to said front portion for holding waste.

13. (Previously Presented) The beach cleaner according to claim 12, wherein said reticulate portion includes a frame and a chamber having a lower wall, two upwardly projecting side walls and a rear wall, at least said lower wall including openings therein for enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.

14. (Previously Presented) The beach cleaner according to claim 13, wherein said lower wall includes a plurality of rods arranged in a side-by-side relationship for trapping waste in said chamber for discharge while enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.

15. (Previously Presented) The beach cleaner according to claim 13, wherein said lower wall, said two upwardly projecting side walls and said rear wall include a plurality of rods arranged in a side-by-side relationship for trapping wastes in said chamber for discharge while enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.

16. (Previously Presented) The beach cleaner according to claim 13, and further including wheels mounted on a lower end of said frame for supporting said reticulate portion during movement.

17. (Previously Presented) The beach cleaner according to claim 13, wherein said frame includes an upper portion secured to said upwardly projecting side walls and a lower portion adjustably mounted relative to said upper portion, wherein the rear side of the reticulate portion may be adjusted by adjusting the lower portion of said frame relative to said upper portion.

18. (Previously Presented) The beach cleaner according to claim 17, wherein said lower portion includes four vertically mounted members having a plurality of apertures

formed therein whereby a pin may be inserted through one of the plurality of apertures in each of said four vertically mounted members for securing said upper portion of said frame relative to said lower portion.

19. (Currently Amended) The beach cleaner according to claim 18, and further including ~~ski-like~~ ski portions mounted to lower ends of two of forwardly positioned vertically mounted members for facilitating the movement of said beach cleaner.

20. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 12, wherein the rods are arranged at equal intervals in the transverse direction of the beach cleaner.

21. (New) A beach cleaner for recovering waste comprising:

a grating portion for scooping up waste as the beach cleaner is moved, said grating portion being inclined from a front portion towards a rear portion for positioning said front portion at a lower position relative to said rear portion; and

a reticulate portion formed behind said grating portion, said reticulate portion including a front portion and a rear portion wherein said rear portion is inclined relative to said front portion for positioning the rear portion of said reticulate portion at a location that is lower relative to said front portion for holding waste,

wherein an angle of the reticulate portion relative to a horizontal plane is set smaller than the angle of the front portion of the grating portion relative to the horizontal plane.

22. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 21, wherein said reticulate portion includes a frame and a chamber having a lower wall, two upwardly projecting side walls and a rear wall, at least said lower wall including openings therein for enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.

23. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 21, wherein said lower wall includes a plurality of rods arranged in a side-by-side relationship for trapping waste in said chamber for discharge while enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.

24. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 21, wherein said lower wall, said two upwardly projecting side walls and said rear wall include a plurality of rods arranged in a side-by-side relationship for trapping wastes in said chamber for discharge while enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.

25. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 21, and further including wheels mounted on a lower end of said frame for supporting said reticulate portion during movement.

26. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 21, wherein said frame includes an upper portion secured to said upwardly projecting side walls and a lower portion adjustably

mounted relative to said upper portion, wherein the rear side of the reticulate portion may be adjusted by adjusting the lower portion of said frame relative to said upper portion.

27. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 25, wherein said lower portion includes four vertically mounted members having a plurality of apertures formed therein whereby a pin may be inserted through one of the plurality of apertures in each of said four vertically mounted members for securing said upper portion of said frame relative to said lower portion.

28. (New) The beach cleaner according to claim 26, and further including ski portions mounted to lower ends of two of forwardly positioned vertically mounted members for facilitating the movement of said beach cleaner.